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MACHINE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

February 29, 2000

Sir:

Pursuant to M.P.E.P. §609 and 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97-1.99, applicants herewith submit form PTO-1449 which lists references cited in the specification of the application, during the prosecution of the foreign priority application and in the International Search Report issued in connection with the International Application. A copy of the International Search Report is attached hereto.

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Applicants reserve the right to contend, where appropriate, that a reference asserted against any claim of the present application is not prior art under the facts and law.

Applicants also reserve the right to present appropriate arguments and/or evidence to establish patentability over the references, should one or more of the references be applied against the claims of the present application.

Applicants request that the Examiner independently determine those items which the Examiner would consider the most pertinent of all the references cited herein.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of this application and prior to the receipt of a first Office Action, therefore no fee is due for its submission.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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